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FOR PROTEIN SIGNALING
DISEASES
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**AMENDMENT AND SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Examiner Gross:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 15, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application. This amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) that is filed herewith. The shortened statutory period expired on February 15, 2008. Applicant therefore requests a 3-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and submits a payment in the required amount of \$1,050.00 for large entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), to extend the period for response to May 15, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to

Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: